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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Merck Patent Gmbh, Junior Party (Application 10/239,566,

Inventors: Friedrich Rippmann and Klaus Ducker),

v.

Lexicon Genetics Inc., Senior Party (Patent 7,229,790

Inventors: Carl Johan Friddle and Brenda Gerhardt, and Yi Hu).

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Before: RICHARD E. SCHAFER, JAMESON LEE, and MICHAEL P. TIERNEY, <u>Administrative Patent Judges</u>.

SCHAFER, Administrative Patent Judge

Judgment - Request for Adverse - Bd.R. 127(b)

- 1 Merck has filed a notice of abandonment of the contest (Paper 27).
- 2 An abandonment of the contest is construed as a request for adverse
- 3 judgment. 37 CFR § 41.127(b)(4). Accordingly, it is

1	ORDERED that judgment on priority as to the subject matter of	
2	Count 1 (Paper 1, p. 4) is awarded against Merck;	
3	FURTHER ORDERED that Claims 1-9 and 11 of Merck	
4	Application 10/239,566 (corresponding to Count 1) are finally refused (35	
5	U.S.C. § 135(a));	
6	FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this judgment be made of	
7	record in the files of Application 10/239,566, and Patent 7,229,790; and	
8	FURTHER ORDERED that if there is any settlement agreement or	
9	related documents which have not been filed, attention is directed to	
10	35 U.S.C. § 135(c) and 37 CFR § 41.205.	
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